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J. BREWER, J. W. BUNCE, AND F. S. VAN VLECK, *Linear Systems over Commutative Rings*, Dekker, 1986, 199 pp.

With this treatise, commutative rings make their triumphal entry into applied mathematics. At last our graduate courses in commutative algebra will have more than three students. There may even be a feedback into commutative algebra, who knows.

K. G. YOUNG, *Taleworlds and Storyrealms*, Nijhoff, 1987, 268 pp.

Most textbooks in phenomenology used to take a purely programmatic stance: they used to tell us what ought to be done, by someone other than the author. This one takes a bold stance in analyzing phenomenologically the structure of narrative prose. A refreshing change.

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